

BATTERY CREEK HIGH

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GRADES 9-12 High School

ENROLLMENT 1,546 Students

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

2003

ABSOLUTE RATING:

AVERAGE

Absolute Ratings of High Schools with Students like Ours

Excellent

Good

Average

Below Average

Unsatisfactory

5

14

10

3

2

IMPROVEMENT RATING:

EXCELLENT

ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS:

N/A

SOUTH CAROLINA PERFORMANCE GOAL

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

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PERFORMANCE TRENDS OVER 4-YEAR PERIOD

	Absolute Rating	Improvement Rating	Adequate Yearly Progress
2001	Average	Good	N/A
2002	Below Average	Unsatisfactory	N/A
2003	Average	Excellent	N/A
2004			

TENTH GRADE PASSAGE OF ONE OR MORE SUBTESTS OF THE EXIT EXAM

	Our School			High Schools with Students Like Ours		
Percent	2001	2002	2003	2001	2002	2003
Passed all 3 subtests	59.1	53.4	52.2	61.4	64.4	62.9
Passed 2 subtests	22.3	19.4	16.1	19.9	17.7	18.8
Passed 1 subtest	9.6	14.6	15.5	11.2	11.1	10.8
Passed no subtests	8.9	12.7	15.8	7.5	6.7	6.8

PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT GROUPS

	Exit Exam Passage Rate by Spring 2003		Eligibility for LIFE Scholarships*		Graduation Rate	
	n	%	n	%	n	%
All Students	251	94.0	243	6.6	320	75.3
Gender						
Male	105	92.4	122	9.0	142	85.2
Female	146	95.2	121	4.1	178	67.4
Race or Ethnic Group						
African American	126	88.9	128	0.8	186	68.8
Hispanic	5	100.0	4	I/S	4	I/S
White	118	99.2	107	13.1	126	83.3
Other	2	I/S	4	I/S	4	I/S
Disability Status						
Non-speech disabilities	4	I/S	0	N/A	29	0.0
Students without disabilities	247	94.3	243	6.6	291	82.8
Migrant Status						
Migrant	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A
Non-migrant	4	I/S	243	6.6	0	N/A
English Proficiency						
Limited English proficient	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	1	I/S
Non-LEP	251	94.0	243	6.6	319	75.5
Lunch Status						
Subsidized meals	115	89.6	87	1.1	171	50.9
Full-pay meals	136	97.8	156	9.6	149	99.0

n = number of students on which percentage is calculated

ELIGIBILITY FOR LIFE SCHOLARSHIPS

Percent of	Our School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Seniors eligible for LIFE Scholarships at four-year institutions*	6.6	9.3
Seniors who met the SAT requirement	6.6	9.5
Seniors who met the grade point average	38.7	46.8

*Using only the SAT and grade point average requirements

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n= 1,546)				
Retention rate	0.1%	Down from 12.8%	9.7%	7.3%
Attendance rate	95.3%	Up from 94.5%	95.6%	95.5%
Eligible for gifted and talented	6.1%	Down from 6.9%	1.6%	5.1%
With disabilities other than speech	12.2%	Up from 11.3%	12.9%	12.2%
Older than usual for grade	12.4%	Down from 13.9%	11.2%	10.1%
Suspended or expelled	6.7%	Up from 2.4%	2.6%	2.3%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	54.1%	N/A	N/A	10.2%
Successful on AP/IB exams	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual dropout rate	1.4%	Down from 2.9%	2.7%	2.7%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	2.1%	Up from 1.9%	4.5%	3.2%
Enrollment in career/technology center courses	840	Up from 829	517	433
Students participating in worked-based experiences	14.1%	Down from 41.6%	27.6%	26.3%
Career/technology students mastering core competencies	61.8%	Down from 70.5%	73.4%	74.9%
Career/technology completers placed	100.0%	No change	99.5%	99.5%

Teachers (n= 97)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	42.3%	Down from 47.4%	46.2%	51.7%
Continuing contract teachers	78.4%	Up from 77.9%	80.1%	81.8%
Highly qualified teachers	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Teachers returning from previous year	80.7%	Up from 79.8%	84.2%	85.1%
Teacher attendance rate	94.2%	Down from 96.9%	95.4%	95.8%
Average teacher salary	\$41,168	Up 3.4%	\$39,888	\$40,303
Prof. development days/teacher	8.1 days	Up from 5.0 days	10.3 days	10.3 days

School				
Principal's years at school	3.0	Up from 2.0	4.5	3.0
Student-teacher ratio	24.6 to 1	Down from 25.2 to 1	25.6 to 1	26.2 to 1
Prime instructional time	86.3%	Down from 89.7%	89.8%	90.1%
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$6,127	Up 7.1%	\$6,261	\$6,279
Percent spent on teacher salaries*	50.1%	Down from 57.3%	56.5%	57.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No change	Excellent	Excellent
Parents attending conferences	99.0%	No change	94.1%	87.8%
SACS accreditation	yes	N/A	yes	yes

* Prior year audited financial data are reported.

	Our District	State
Highly qualified teachers in low poverty schools	N/A	N/A
Highly qualified teachers in high poverty schools	N/A	N/A

Abbreviations for Missing Data							
N/A	Not Applicable	N/C	Not Collected	N/R	Not Reported	I/S	Insufficient Sample

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

This has been a challenging year for Battery Creek High School. Many distractions tried to lead the staff and students away from the major focus, education. However, we stayed our course. Our students have engaged in many activities that have brought accolades to "The Creek." Here are some of our accomplishments:

The class of 2003 was awarded over 3 million dollars in scholarships
 We had 8 Palmetto Fellows Awarded, a significant increase
 BCHS hosted the 2002 American Cancer Relay for Life
 Over 1000 Renaissance Achievement Awards Cards were earned BCHS
 Football, Basketball, Wrestling, Track, and Baseball teams-playoff bound
 Teens Advocating for Social Awareness were invited and performed at the NC Math
 Teachers conference and the SC Technology conference
 BCHS hosted in the international Fulbright Teacher Exchange Program
 Newsletters were mailed out every four weeks to all residents
 BCHS hosted a well-attended Multicultural evening
 BCHS' Interact Club sponsored three successful blood drives
 BCHS' MCJROTC continued to distinguish itself
 The Dolphin Students collected and filled Holiday Food Boxes
 The Dolphins took part in the "Adopt an Angel" Christmas gifts program
 BCHS Staff sponsored a dinner thanking our local Sheriff's Deputies
 BCHS participated in SADD's Mock Crash Prom Promise program
 United People Club sponsored positive people conferences at other HS.

BCHS still must focus on the continuous problems of math, reading, and writing for the upcoming school year. Although the seriousness of attempt demonstrated by our student body is noticeable, the standardized test score results remain unaltered. BCHS' 9th grade will begin the 03-04 school year in the 9th Grade Academy. All 9th graders will enter high school in a heterogeneously grouped fashion and be assigned into small learning communities where personalized instruction will be received and student accountability will be measured regularly. Look for the Individualized Learning Plans to be put into place for every 9th grader. BCHS will continue to emphasize communication and commitment to educational success.

Rodney Jenkins, principal

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS, STUDENTS, AND PARENTS

	Teachers	Students	Parents
Number of surveys returned	0	118	0
Percent satisfied with learning environment	N/R	59.6%	N/R
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	N/R	57.4%	N/R
Percent satisfied with home-school relations	N/R	76.4%	N/R

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

- Excellent - School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Good - School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Average - School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Below Average - School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Unsatisfactory - School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal

DEFINITION OF ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS

As required by the United States Department of Education, adequate yearly progress specified that the statewide target is met for all students and for each subgroup of students: racial/ethnic, economic, disability, limited English proficiency and migrant status.